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SUBJECT: TRAVEL FRANK J. FITZPATRICK, FRANKLIN MINT

1. MR. FRANK J. FITZPATRICK, VICE PRESIDENT FOR GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS FOR THE FRANKLIN MINT WILL BE IN EAST ASIA FOR A FOUR WEEK PERIOD BEGINNING MAY 24. DURING THIS TIME, HE WOULD APPRECIATE CALLING ON DR. AYE HLIANG, CHAIRMAN OF UNION OF BURMA BANK AND DR. SNOH UNAKUL, GOVERNOR OF THE BANK OF THAILAND TO DISCUSS WITH THEM THE POSSIBILITY OF MINTING BURMESE AND THAI COINAGE IN THE FORM OF "PROOFS" AND BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED SPECIMEN SETS. SETS WOULD BE GIVEN WORLDWIDE DISTRIBUTION WITH ROYALTY PAYMENTS TO THE RESPECTIVE BANKS ON SETS SOLD. THE FRANKLIN MINT IS THE LARGEST PRIVATE MINT IN THE WORLD, CURRENTLY PRODUCING COINAGE FOR FOURTEEN NATIONS.

2. POSTS, AT THEIR DISCRETION, SHOULD APPROACH CENTRAL BANK OFFICIALS ON SETTING UP A MEETING FOR MR. FITZPATRICK. PLEASE ADVISE DEPARTMENT OF ARRANGEMENTS MADE PRIOR TO MAY 20. KISSINGER

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